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Inventors: Ferguson *et al.*  
Our Ref: 1669.0040001/SRL/BLS

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2. Form PTO-1449 (12 sheets) and (49) references;
3. Power of Attorney From Assignee, executed on behalf of Queen's University at Kingston;
4. Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b), executed on behalf of Queen's University at Kingston; and
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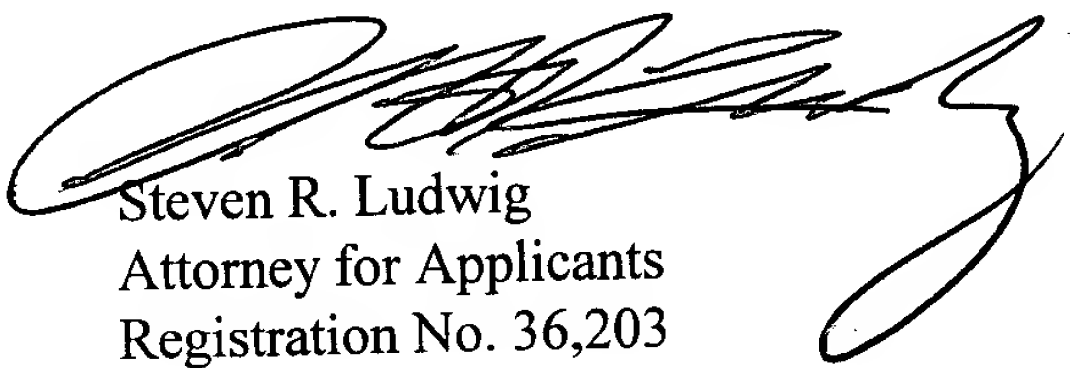
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